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L. H. J. In answer whereto the following Message was prepared, Viz.

By the Lower house of Assembly

April the 22^d 1720.

May it please your Honours

We are not a little Surprized at his Excellency's Proposall and your Honours Concurrence in Proposing to this house an Address to his Sacred Majesty at a juncture of time when we might Reasonably have Expected to have returned to our familys in order to Consult their Wellfare haveing been Long Detained here, without being Able to do any great Service to our Country and many of our members sick and absent, and as we Enjoy what we may or Can reasonably Desire and haveing frequently set forth our great Sattisfaction under the protection of the best of Kings and haveing nothing to ask of his Majesty as we can perceive at this time we desire to be excused.

Signed p order M: Jenifer Cll: Lo: Ho.

And sent to the Upper House by M^r Lee and five others. They return and say they Delivered it.

p. 85 The following Address being prepared was ordered to be Entred as follows Viz.

To the Right Honourable Charles Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltemore &c and to The Right Honourable Francis Lord Guilford.

The Humble Address of your Lordships upper and Lower Houses of Assembly of Maryland.

May it please your Lordships.

We take ourselves to lye under the Deepest Sense of Gratitude for your Lordships most Acceptable Speech Transmitted to us, this Sessions, which we shall duly Regard.

Your Lordships reasons for regulation of the Act Entituled an Act Ascertaining the Bounds of Lands are too agreeable to the Experience we have had of that Law to fail of a perfect Conviction of the Necessity of it, But the Law is of so great Importance that it requires the most mature Deliberation to Concert the proper Alterations and therefore we begg leave to Deferr such Amendments till the next Sessions, when we doubt not all due regard will be paid to your Lordships favourable Intimations.